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## Gentlemen:

Sincerely,

I write to strongly oppose the removal of Morse code requirements in testing for the Amateur Radio Service license. For some years I was a volunteer examiner and I do not agree with the examiners proposal to do away with this aspect of the exam.

It is my opinion that the code requirement be retained for all license levels presently having this requirement. I do not agree with the proposal that the code be retained only for the Amateur Extra license. Retain the code requirement!

Thank you for your consideration.

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